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explains away in some cases or softens the evidence, and with perfect justice as a rule. When we come to the treatment of the Jews by the Romans, it is obvious that they were persecuted no more than the other oriental sects and only when they seemed to make too many proselytes. They were never as popular in Rome as were the followers of the more emotional Syrian and Persian cults, but they were successful enough in their propaganda to be from time to time alarming, and were persecuted enough to be driven to revolt. Mr. Radin gives an account of the more serious Jewish revolts down to Severus, and ends with a sketch of their legal position under the later Empire.

The style of the book is good, and in the notes there are full references to the literature of the subject. On p. 93 for προσκονεῖν read προσκυνεῖν; on p. 375 for Zeno read Zeus; on p. 293, for Pausanius read Pausanias. On p. 138 the phrase στρατηγὸς ἐπὶ τὰ ὅπλα is more correctly ἐπὶ τῶν ὅπλων.

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Spain under the Roman Empire. By E. S. Bouchier. Oxford: B. H. Blackwell, 1914. Pp. 200. 5s.

Syria as a Roman Province. By E. S. Bouchier. Oxford: B. H. Blackwell, 1916. Pp. 304. 6s.

Here are two volumes which possess considerable value for the student of Roman history. The author has divided the first volume into three parts: I, "History"; II, "Antiquities"; III, "Literature." Under "History" an introductory chapter deals with Spain down to the time of Augustus. The other chapters deal with Spain "From Augustus to Hadrian," "From the Antonine Age to the Gothic Conquest," and "Byzantine Andalusia." Under "Antiquities" the author treats of the "Native Races," "Natural Products," "The Arts," "Religion," and "Chief Cities." Literature is divided into "Spanish Writers of the Early Empire," "Christianity and Its Influence on Literature," and concludes with a chapter on "The Latin of Spain." A brief bibliography is given at the close of each chapter. The volume is small, but its author has gathered a great deal of information into its pages.

The method of treatment in the later volume is essentially the same as in the first, but without marking so definitely the divisions. It contains about twice as much material, but this naturally follows from the importance of the province of Syria. In the discussion of the chief cities, Jerusalem is omitted because of the mass of material readily accessible on that city. Of special interest might be mentioned the last chapters on "Early Literature," "Later Literature," "Religion and Architecture," and "The Arts." This volume contains a page of photographic reproductions of

some of the provincial coin-issues which are valuable in illustrating the architecture and religion of the province. Information afforded by epigraphy is used. A bibliography is given at the close of the volume as well as references to many works in the footnotes. Each volume contains an outline map and an index which add to their value. A few typographical errors were noticed, but they need not be mentioned. While neither volume aims to be exhaustive, yet the two will prove of great value to students in history and in the classics of the middle and later empire when a general but brief account of either province is desired. The books are quite readable and should find a place along with other works on Roman history.

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Das Griechentum in seiner geschichtlichen Entwicklung. By Rudolf von Scala. Teubner, 1915. Pp. 105. M. 1.25.

Das Altertum in Leben der Gegenwart. By PAUL CAUER. Teubner, 1915. Pp. 131. M. 1.25.

Die Homerische Dichtung. By Georg Finsler. Teubner, 1915. Pp. 113. M. 1.25.

These primers of the Teubner series "Aus Natur und Geisteswelt" are, notwithstanding their inexpensiveness, firmly bound in neat linen covers and printed on good paper in a clear type which is a pleasure as well as a comfort to the eye; and, save for occasional roughnesses of style which appear when the overabundance of material rebels against undue compression, they are very lucid and readable.

Professor von Scala's book, after an introductory sketch of the Kultur of the Indo-Germanic stem, attacks at once the difficult subject of the pre-historic peoples of Greece. We may perhaps complain that in his discussion of the Minoans, Mycenaeans, Achaeans, etc., and their relations to each other he states somewhat dogmatically now and then what is at best probable conjecture; but many readers, for whom the multitudinous results of the excavations in Crete and elsewhere still whirl about in unrelated confusion, will be grateful to a competent scholar for revealing to them some order in this chaos.

The treatment of the Homeric age is too scanty even for so brief a book, but in the later pages, which bring the story of Greece down to the fourth century A.D., the balance and emphasis are admirable. The book is not a mere outline of Greek history for beginners, but an account of Greek civilization in the making which it is worth the while of any Greek student to read. The text is illustrated by a considerable number of half-tones.